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In response to the "Notice of Drawing Inconsistency with Specification", mailed January 30, 2006, submitted herewith are annotated and replacement sheets of Figure 14D and 14E.

Also, attached is a copy of the Notice of Drawing Inconsistency with Specification.

Consideration of the attached is respectfully requested.

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### NOTICE OF DRAWING INCONSISTENCY WITH SPECIFICATION

The drawings filed 03 - 22 - 2004 have been received. However, an inconsistency exists between the drawings and the Brief Description of the Drawings in the specification.

Figures 14D and 14E are listed in the Brief Description of the Drawings in the specification but not contained in the Drawings.

Figure      is contained in the Drawings but not listed in the Brief Description of the Drawings in the specification.

Applicant is required to correct the above-noted inconsistency within a time period of **ONE MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS, whichever is longer**, from the mailing date of this Notice, or within the time remaining in the time period set forth in the Notice of Allowability (Form PTOL-37) to file corrected drawings, whichever is longer. **NO EXTENSION OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER EITHER 37 CFR 1.136 (a) OR (b)**

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